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THE WHITE HOUSE

Washington

December 22, 1958

Dear Senator Green:

Thank you for your December sixteenth letter. I appreciate your Committee's interest in meeting with the Secretary of State and with the other Executive Branch officials who can discuss with you in Executive Session the matters outlined in your letter to me. Accordingly, I have asked Secretary Dulles to coordinate this matter, so that the officials concerned may meet with your Committee at a mutually satisfactory time.

With best wishes for the holiday season,

Sincerely,

/s/ Dwight D. Eisenhower

The Honorable Theodore Francis Green  
United States Senate  
Washington, D. C.

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Dates for the contemplated hearings will be arranged and announced early in the new session of Congress.

PROPOSED OUTLINE FOR EXECUTIVE  
SESSION HEARINGS OF COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN RELATIONS

**GENERAL PURPOSE:** To provide the Committee on Foreign Relations with a broad understanding of the total strategic situation of the United States in 1959 so that the Committee may properly discharge its duties in the field of foreign policy.

Hearing I - THE STATUS OF UNITED STATES RELATIONS WITH  
OTHER NATIONS

1. Relations with the Soviet bloc and estimates of the tactics and pressures which may be encountered in 1959.
2. Relations with "uncommitted" Asian and African nations.
3. The status of our alliances.
4. Probable areas of change in United States policies in 1959.

Hearing II - THE DEFENSE POSITION OF THE UNITED STATES

1. Potential defensive responsibilities of the Army, the Navy, and the Air Force.
2. Estimate of the state of readiness of each service to discharge its responsibilities today and in the future.

Hearing III - ECONOMICS AND FOREIGN POLICY

1. The domestic impact of United States aid programs.
2. Relationship between trade policy and foreign policy.
3. Soviet bloc activities in trade and aid.
4. Probable areas of United States initiative in 1959.

Hearing IV - INTELLIGENCE ESTIMATES

1. Estimate of Soviet bloc intentions.
2. Estimate of Soviet bloc capabilities - military, economic, political, and scientific.

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3. Estimate of nature and direction of nationalist movements in Asia and Africa.